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Festival season picking up steam

Summer certainly is the time to explore Ontario, and investigate the history and heritage of the province, through its many festivals and fairs.

The 47th annual **Georgian Bay Steam Show and Family Farm Demonstration Festival** takes place at the Cookstown club grounds on Victoria St. West, this Civic Holiday weekend, August 3-6. Each morning begins with a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., followed by displays of antique vehicles, tractors and steam engines, demonstrations of everything from plowing to weaving, and live entertainment that includes music and cloggers. Among the highlights: An Antique Tractor Pull for members, Saturday starting at 10 a.m.; COTPA Ontario Tractor Pullers' Association Pull featuring Modified Tractors on Sunday starting at 6 p.m., and numerous other events, including the Parade of Machinery - 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and 2 p.m. Monday. There is also a Talent Show for ages 17 and up on Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; a Talent Show for ages 16 and under on Sunday, 7:30 p.m.; and the annual Threshermen's Dinner at St. John's Anglican Church, Saturday and Sunday night. Admission to the steam show is \$8 adults; free for accompanied kids under 12. Please - no dogs or bikes. For details, see www.steamshow.ca

Also on this weekend - **Kempfest**, featuring The Huronia Festival of Arts & Crafts, and the Optimist Club of Barrie Waterfront. Kempfest takes place along the Barrie Waterfront, August 3 to 6, with over 350 artists and artisans, plus kids' activities, a Midway, and live entertainment. Headlining on the Main Stage: The Caverners Beatle's Tribute Band, Salute to the Troops and Hotel California Eagles Tribute Band on Friday night from 5 p.m.; Creedence County and Glory Days - a Springsteen Experience on Saturday; North of Nashville, Marc Ekins Band, Bareback Riders, Chad Brownlee and Jason Blaine, on Sunday. The Martels entertain on Monday. Some Main Stage performances require a \$5 cover. See www.kempfest.com

The 39th annual **Alliston Potato Festival** takes place August 10-12 - starting with the Festival Parade, 7 p.m. on Friday, August 10. On Saturday, the main street will

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On the GO!



Story & photos by Miriam King, Bradford Times
GO train pulls into the Bradford Station at 6:16 p.m. on July 31 - ten passenger cars on the northbound commute.

In 2012, GO Train Service celebrates its 45th Anniversary, and its 30th year of providing service north along the "Newmarket Subdivision", the line that links Barrie and Toronto.

But before there was GO, there was "the Barrie Bullet". In 1972, CN Rail was mandated to run a commuter train on the line, running one train south in the morning, and one train north at night. In 1978, the service was transferred to VIA Rail - and by the time the train service north of Bradford was cancelled in 1982, the trains were 4 cars long, filled with groups that made the daily commute, and developed long-lasting friendships.

Hugh White drove from Tottenham to King City, to catch the "Bullet" - and says it was a totally different era in those days. For one thing, smoking was permitted on board.

"Two of the cars were smoking and two of the cars were non-smoking," Hugh remembers - and when he says "smoking," he means the air was blue with cigarette smoke, and it was hard to see down to the end of the car. And it wasn't just smoking. Passengers brought their own "liquid refreshments." Says Hugh, "In the old days, boozing was rampant... but it was discrete."

"It was more than discrete. It was hidden," says his wife Shirley. Alcohol wasn't permitted and if a conductor spotted booze, he'd have to act. "We couldn't get them in trouble."

Hugh and Shirley met on the commuter train, where they got to know another regular, George Allison. The trio, and Allison's wife Marilyn, have stayed in touch and continue to be friends.

"We got to know each other very well," says George. "Everybody used to sit in the same seats." They would play cards, do crossword puzzles, hold competitions - and celebrate. "We would always celebrate Wednesdays, and we would always celebrate Fridays... Christmas... Birthdays."

At one point, instructors from Seneca College offered courses in Computer Basics and Photography, to the commuters. "We took a course every morning on the way down, and we ended up going to Seneca College and writing our exam. We all passed," says George. "The Toronto Star wrote it up as the 'Brain Train'."

When the government cancelled VIA trains 146 and 147, George wrote a mock Obituary notice for the rail service, "killed by one quick but premeditated slash of the axe at the hand of one Jean Luc Pepin." The riders, and even regular conductors who booked off for the day, gathered at Union Station on September 3, 1982 for a funeral procession - complete with coffin, mourning widow dressed in black, and a piper. The procession rode the train north - "The entire train was a party," says George - and disembarked in Bradford, to attend a "memorial service" and wake at The Village Inn.

The riders also picked the loss of their train at Union

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Come in and sample some on Sat., Aug. 18th

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Melt 1/4 cup butter; add and simmer until soft:

- 1 dove minced garlic, 1 medium onion, chopped
- Add: 3 cups grated carrots & 1 peeled grated potato
- 10 oz. Chicken Broth, 8 oz. Water

Season with 1/2 tsp. Salt, 1 tsp. Ground ginger, pinch of pepper

Heat until hot enough to serve and at the last minute add:

1 cup milk and heat carefully (at this point the soup will burn easily)

Enjoy!

CARROT LOAF

Heat oven to 325 F and grease 2-4oz glass loaf pans.

NOTE: This is a large recipe so you may have extra for muffins,
depending on the size of pans used.

In a Large bowl, mix together:

- 4 cups grated carrots
- 2 cups white sugar
- Juice and rind of 4 lemon and an orange
- 1 1/4 cups canola oil
- 4 eggs

Blend well and set aside.

Mix together and add to the above:

3 cups GF flour mix #1

1 cup GF oat flour

(NOTE: If you can't tolerate oats, use 4 cups GF flour)

2 tsp. Baking Soda

2 1/2 cups Raisins (pumped in hot water)

2 cups chopped nuts.

Bake at 325 F for one hour or until done.

NOTE: I find some GF baking mixes longer than regular
so you will have to figure out the time in your oven.
Cool in pan for 10-15 minutes and turn out onto cooling racks.

**Note: If you are not gluten intolerant,
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Town's 20th Anniversary passes unnoticed

There was an anniversary last year, that slipped past without notice: January 1, 2011 marked the 20th anniversary of the amalgamation that created the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

"The province of Ontario mandated the amalgamation of the town of Bradford, the Township of West Gwillimbury, and a sliver of Tecumseth Township, to create the new municipality. Minister of Municipal Affairs at the time, John Sweeney announced the planned change a year earlier, on the 17th floor of a Toronto office tower - endorsing the findings of the South Simcoe Local Government Study. The Study recommended reducing the number of municipalities in South Simcoe from 8 to 3 - merging Beesee, Tottenham and Alliston with Tecumseth Township to create the Town of New Tecumseth; Cookstown, Innisfil Township and a portion of West Gwillimbury to create the Town of Innisfil; and uniting Bradford, West Gwillimbury and part of Tecumseth, as the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

It was a decision that led to protests - but also avowals of co-operation by Bradford Council, headed by Mayor William de Peuter, and the Council of West Gwillimbury, led by Reeve Bud Brown, despite the challenges. "I was quite happy with it. I think it was precisely what the town endorsed, through the Steering Committee. As far as the future, it's not going to be all that easy... the more cooperation we give each other, the better it is," said Mayor de Peuter. "It's going to benefit the taxpayers overall."

Reeve Brown said, "Council is receptive to making the changes as easily as we can, but certainly there are some financial implications we have to look into." He predicted "\$300 a year more taxes," as a result of amalgamation.

Sandra Hudson, Deputy Mayor of Bradford: "I think it's good for all concerned, and I think that the new municipalities will make a very outdated County system better able to cope with the problems of the late 20th century and into the 21st century."

Bill Dyke St. Deputy Reeve of West Gwillimbury: "As times change, so do our needs. The idea is often harder to accept than the reality. I am sure that in the long run, good things will result in a combined effort. We are all the same, and our needs are all the same."

Three Councillors who were serving at the time of amalgamation are on Council today. Following the provincial announcement, Gary Lamb, Bradford Councillor, noted, "Growing up in West Gwillimbury, I always thought it was one community - boundaries didn't seem to have a great effect. Hopefully, this will re-affirm the community spirit that has existed for local people for many years."

Peter Dyke Jr., Bradford, was also positive. "I hope to see the 2 municipalities get together well, and I hope it will be better for us. Hopefully we can get more industrial land on stream, to create more jobs in the area... From my perspective, I see positive things for future growth - to have more industrial/commercial to take the tax burden off residential

taxpayers."

But Ron Simpson, West Gwillimbury Councillor worried, "Increased growth is going to increase the cost to the taxpayers... I guess amalgamation is here and we have to do the best we can for the taxpayers in the Twp. of West Gwillimbury and the Town of Bradford. The important thing is to improve the quality of life... without raising the taxes too much."

Asked to reflect on amalgamation 20 years later, Simpson said, "Things pretty well went along as planned. There's been a lot of growth, a lot of changes... Hey, could we have survived as a small municipality? Probably, but we'd still

be where we were 20 years ago."

Councillor Dyke noted that the past 20 years have brought efficiencies - and that the amalgamated Town has been able to provide its residents with a wider range of opportunities, including the new Leisure centre, and Library & cultural centre. "The challenge is to keep BWG safe and affordable for all."

"I think what was created works," said current Mayor Doug White. "The Town is very urban area... and the rest of it, 85%, is rural-agricultural, and I think that's a great mix."

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Stunt Driving charge

A South Simcoe Police officer conducting laser radar at about 1 p.m. on July 27 detected a westbound vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed: readings registered 105 kmph and 106 kmph as the vehicle went through the intersection of Holland St. West and Summerlyn Trail, where the posted speed limit is 50 kmph. The driver, a 20 year old Richmond Hill man, was charged with Speeding and Stunt Driving, his licence was suspended for 7 days, and vehicle impounded. Court date September 12.

Drifting into trouble

Marine officers from South Simcoe, Barrie and York Regional Police were conducting a search of Johnson's Beach in Oro-Medonte at about 9:30 p.m. on July 25, when they observed a small aluminum boat drifting into the search area.

The vessel did not have any navigational lights, and police were concerned that it could damage expensive search instruments that were being used to check the lake bottom. A South Simcoe marine officer approached the boat, and spoke to the operator, who advised that he had lost power earlier in the evening and was lost. A subsequent search of the vessel found open alcohol inside the boat, but no Operator's Card, and a lack of safety equipment on board. A 20 year old Oro Station man faces several charges.



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National Peacekeepers' Day



Brigadier General Louis Meloche, left, and Ret. U.N. Peacekeeper, G. Michael Comeau at July 1 ceremony at the new Bradford West Gwillimbury Leisure Centre, honouring Sapper Brian Collier. The Collier family will be honoured guests at the National Peacekeepers' Day flag-raising on August 7.

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury has proclaimed the week of August 7 to 14 as Peacekeepers' Week, and the day of August 9 as Canadian National Peacekeepers' Day in the municipality.

There will be a flag-raising of the United Nations flag on Tuesday, August 7 at 6 p.m., at the Bradford Courthouse, 61 Holland St. East, including a short ceremony to

recognize the contributions of Canadian Peacekeepers, Peacemakers and Peace Support personnel over the past 65 years. There will be a special tribute to Bradford's Sapper Brian Collier, who gave his life in the service of his country.

The Central Ontario Chapter of the Canadian Association of Veterans in UN Peacekeeping, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury and Bradford Legion invite the community to attend.

At the Bradford Legion Br. 521

Friday Night Meat Rolls take place every Friday at 6 p.m., at the Bradford Legion, 115 Back St. Come out, enjoy a light dinner for a nominal fee - and perhaps win the meat for Saturday Dinner. On the first Friday of the month enjoy Karaoke with Bob Serran, starting at 8 p.m. after the Meat Roll. Next Karaoke night is August 3. All welcome.

On Saturday, August 4, drop by the Legion to enjoy an afternoon of music with the **Back Street Band**, 2 to 5 p.m. A meal will be available at a nominal cost

Summer Line Dance Lessons at the Bradford Legion Thursday nights from 7:30 to 9 p.m., to Sept. 13. Instructor is

Gloria Kirchner, of N'Step Country Line Dancing. Only \$5 per lesson!

Horseshoes at the Legion, Weds. at 6:30 p.m. All welcome. Saturday, August 11 there will be a **Horseshoe Tournament**.

Do you want to stand behind our troops and veterans, enjoy comradeship and activities, and support youth programs in the community? Consider membership in the Legion. For details, contact Donna at 905-775-5025. The Legion is here for Canada's Vets.

There is support available for veterans and their spouses. You don't have to be a Legion member to ask for assistance. Call Gord Dodgson at 905-775-4905.



Customer appreciation! CIBC Branch Manager Michelle Moonise and staff join customers at a free BBQ, served up by M & M Meat Shops at the Branch on Holland St. West, July 27. The monthly appreciation days are "fun for our customers," says Moonise (seated at right). "We enjoy it too, because we get to have fun as well!"

letters to the editor

Support our Giant Tiger

To the editor: There must be many Seniors who live in the vicinity of the Giant Tiger Store who are totally disappointed with the planned closing of the store. There are a number of questions that need to be asked. Did the consultants employed by Giant Tiger meet with Town Council? Was there any contact with the Board of Trade, or the Manager of Economic Development, who are trying to keep the Downtown as viable as possible? What about the loss of employment? The Town is going to grow to 50,000 in the next decade; is the President of Giant Tiger even aware of the potential growth of Bradford?

The executives who made the decision for closure were probably only concerned about immediate returns, and not the long term.

We as seniors frequently shop at Giant Tiger because it is easy access and within walking distance. A few days ago, while shopping there, there were three cashiers kept busy dealing with customer sales, of food, clothing and housewares.

Maybe we can somehow get Giant Tiger to review that proposed closure. Maybe the Town Council and Board of Trade can send executive letters to the President of the company, making him aware of the future growth of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

Leslie J. Showers, Bradford

Giant Tiger responds

To a Bradford shopper: Thank you for your recent letter.

We have been overwhelmed with the emotional response to our store closing in Bradford. As you, our customers, are part of the Giant Tiger family, we take your emails very much to heart. We understand that Giant Tiger is and has always been a pillar for our communities, therefore the decision process on whether to close a store is a very

hard one indeed.

We always endeavour to keep our prices low for our customers, and that requires a customer count at our stores that unfortunately we are not seeing in Bradford, with the change in driving patterns away from the city centre. Please understand that we always look at all options to avoid a store closing and disappointing any members of the Giant Tiger customer family, and unfortunately it is our only option in this case.

Community is at the heart of the Giant Tiger organization and when one of our communities is affected, it affects us all. Thank you again for your support of Giant Tiger, and we look forward to seeing you again. Sincerely,

Lauren Moir, VP of Marketing

Art Camp thanks, from B.A.G.

To the editor: The Bradford Arts Guild Summer Arts Camp was a great success. Thanks to our many volunteers, community partners, guest artists, and all those parents who believed in us. Eighty-four children between the ages of 6 and 12 attended two weeks of creative programming, which included clay, paper mache puppets, drawing, painting, environmental crafts, beading, knot-tying and upcycling. In particular, the Guild would like to thank the Bradford Alliance Church for providing the space. We would not have been able to offer this low-cost day camp without their sponsorship and support.

Thanks also to the generous donors who sponsored 12 children who would not otherwise have been able to attend a summer camp - the Bradford branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, Rotary Club of Bradford, IOOE, and Peter Dykile of Bradford Jewellery & Gems.

Trudy Neumeier, Bradford Arts Guild

Danube Seniors Centre

The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd., welcomed a Sunday from the North Pole on Saturday, July 29, for a "Christmas in July" turkey dinner. Participants of all ages enjoyed the 10 turkeys, pounds of green beans, vegetables, roasted potatoes and stuffing, and home-made bread pudding for dessert, cooked up by the volunteers in the kitchen, and the entertainment by Jimmy and Lijia Yan Rosi.



Santa arrived, just as dessert was being served, and handed out treats to all the good little (and big) girls and boys.

Over 110 guests enjoyed the evening. As Gertrud Erdenberger noted, "It's a lot more fun when we

have a full house!"

Note: The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre will be temporarily closed, for maintenance and "freshening up," August 4-12.

Coming up:
• The August Birthday Luncheon will be a BBQ on Thursday, August 16, starting at 11:30 a.m., with music, music, music! Only \$8 for members, \$9 for non-members. This will be an indoor BBQ lunch, since the Centre has removed its picnic tables - too difficult to use and too uncomfortable, for people with arthritis and mobility problems!
Call 905-775-0612 for information on upcoming programs.

Photo: Santa and young guest at the Centre, for Christmas in July.

Fun at Lakeside Retirement!

Lakeside Retirement, located at 985 Innisfil Beach Rd. in Alcona, invites the community to a **Family Western Day** with The Square Timers, on Friday, August 10, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Come out for entertainment, refreshments and door prizes. No admission fee, but please RSVP to 705-431-8105.

There will be a **Cowboy Bingo Night**, Friday, August 24 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Refreshments, prizes and fun. Again, please RSVP to 705-431-8105. **Oktoberfest!** Lakeside is hosting a fun-filled afternoon, with live accordion music, door prizes and more on Saturday, September 8 from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Please RSVP to 705-

431-8105.

Circus Bingo Night, Friday, Sept. 21, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Refreshments and Prizes. RSVP to 705-431-8105.

W.I. Back to Basics

On the Provincial WI theme of "Back 2 Basics," the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute is hosting another session on canning and preserving, with Emerie Brice or Bernardine Jans. The session will be held Saturday, August 18, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Tec-We-Gwill W.I. Hall in Newton North. Space is limited - RSVP for \$10. Call 705-458-4410.

Toastmasters start summer with a new Executive

Bradford - Speak for Success York-Simcoe Toastmasters welcomes its new Executive for 2012-2013. The new Executive includes Tim Norton from Innisfil as President, Cassandra Russell (Bradford) as VP of Education, Bob Cameron (Bradford) as VP of Public Relations, Christina LaGree (Bradford) - VP of Membership, Robbie Fleishacker (East Gwillimbury) - Treasurer, Annette Lavigne (Cookstown) - Secretary, and Doug Armstrong (Bradford) as Sgt.-at-Arms.

"We are excited about this coming year - with a new location and a dynamic Executive, 2012-2013 should be a stellar year," said Marsha Field, out-going VP of Public Relations. "This year, we have two of our club members taking on new responsibilities, in a much broader leadership role. Doug Armstrong and I are leading Area 12 and Area 14 respectively, as Area Governors."

District 86 is made up of 8 Divisions, and each Division includes 4 Areas. Area 12 covers clubs in Collingwood, Wasaga Beach, Alliston, Bolton and Orangeville; Area 14 includes Bradford, Newmarket (which now has 3 clubs) and Keswick.

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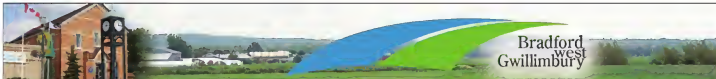
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For further information, please contact the Clerk's Department at (905) 775-5368.

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Regular Meetings of Council & Committee of the Whole (after Council Meeting):

- Tues. Aug. 7/12 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Tues. Sep. 4/12 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Tues. Sep. 18/12 @ 7:00 p.m.

Accessibility Advisory Committee

Mon. Sep. 10/12 @ 4:00 p.m., BWG Library and Cultural Centre, Boardroom, 425 Holland St. W.

Active Transportation Committee

Thurs. Aug. 9/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

Committee of Adjustment

Wed. Aug. 22/12 @ 6:30 p.m., Council Chambers, 100 Holland St. E.

Devotees Revitalization Committee

Wed. Aug. 8/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Compton Room, 100 Holland St.

HHS/MSHR

Thurs. Aug. 2/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Compton Room, 100 Holland St.

Fire and Emergency Services Committee

Thurs. Sep. 6/12 @ 4:00 p.m., Frank Jonkman Room, B1 Melbourne Dr.

Library Board Committee

Mon. Sep. 17/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

CANCELLED - Municipal Facilities Committee

Tues. Aug. 14/12 @ 4:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Zima Room, 425 Holland St. W.

Municipal Heritage Committee

Mon. Aug. 27/12 @ 7:00 p.m., BWG Library & Cultural Centre, Boardroom, 425 Holland St. W.

Police Services Board

Tues. Aug. 27/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Imrie/Town Hall

Seniors Housing Committee

Wed. Aug. 15/12 @ 7:00 p.m., Frank Jonkman Room, B1 Melbourne Dr.

Preschools

That His Worship Doug White and Council proclaim:

August 7th - 14th as Peasoppy's Week
August 9th as National Canadian Peasoppy's Week
Tues. Aug. 7/12 @ 6:30 p.m., 51 Holland Street East
THE UNITED NATIONS FLAG RISING

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



A Growing Tradition

Manager of Capital Projects

The Town of BWG is looking for an energetic, highly motivated and organized professional to ensure the planning, development and execution of the Town's long term capital program for transportation, water, wastewater and storm-water management projects.

Under the direction of the Director of Engineering Services, this position is responsible for planning, designing, organizing, constructing, and controlling to ensure a timely contract completion; and participating in the needs assessment and master planning initiatives as they relate to planning for parks, trails, facilities, and open spaces. The position will direct a multidisciplinary team of professional consultants, sub-contractors and contractors for projects ranging in complexity from mature neighbourhood rehabilitation (sidewalks and road reconstruction) to storm drainage systems and bridges. In addition, the position is responsible for the development and maintenance of the asset management information systems; preparing and administering the capital projects budget; and for the supervision and development of assigned staff.

Preferred candidates will have a university degree in Civil Engineering from an accredited university, eligibility for or holder of the Professional Engineer's designation and full membership in the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario. Certification as a project manager professional (PMP) through the Project Management Institute is an asset. The individual will have a minimum of five years experience in development engineering in a municipal/urban growth environment, including project/contract management and public relations experience. Preferred candidates will demonstrate excellent interpersonal, project/time/records management, organizational, analytical, research, communication, presentation, problem-solving, and staff leadership and supervisory skills. In addition, the successful candidate must have thorough working knowledge of municipal infrastructure construction applicable legislation/regulations/standards, and possess a valid class G driver's license in good standing with a reliable vehicle to use on corporate business.

The position offers a salary range of \$87,442 to \$109,302 (2012 rates) plus a competitive benefit package.

To explore this challenging opportunity further, we invite qualified applicants to forward their resume and covering letter in confidence, quoting File Number 2012-CP07 by 4:30 p.m. on August 31st, 2012, to:

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury,
Human Resources Department,
100 Dissette St. Unit 4 Box 100, Bradford, Ontario L3R 2A7
Fax: 905 775-9633 or email hr@townofbwg.com

We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, and will only be used for candidate selection.

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury is an equal opportunity employer. Accommodation will be provided in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code.

NOTICES

SEASONAL HOMES AND CAMPSITE FIRE SAFETY

Getting away from the city is a great way to relax. Whether you are at the trailer, RV, cottage or camping in the woods, taking the time to follow these simple safety procedures will help you make the most of your vacation.

- Just like your home, your trailer, RV, cottage or cabin must have working smoke alarms in every story and outside sleeping areas. To the law. First in these types of seasonal homes can spread incredibly fast. Pack a smoke alarm with fresh batteries when heading to the trailer, cottage or cabin. In addition to smoke alarms in these homes, carbon monoxide detectors should be installed outside of all sleeping areas.
- Smoke alarms should be tested before sleeping in any of these seasonal homes and then monthly and after any absence of more than a few days. Replace any smoke alarms that may be more than 10 years old. Failure to comply with the applicable Fire Code smoke alarm requirements can result in a ticket for \$225 or a fine of up to \$100.00.
- Have chimneys cleaned and inspected every year. Heating systems should be inspected annually by a qualified service technician.
- Check your local municipal office or Ministry of Natural Resources for burning restrictions or bylaws before burning grass or brush around the cottage.
- Build campfires on bare soil or exposed rock, well sheltered from the wind. Keep a pail of water and a shovel on hand to control the fire.
- Quench campfires with water and stir the ashes with a stick or shovel to allow the water to soak in and cool the ashes and the ground.
- Campfires should never be left unattended and must be thoroughly extinguished before leaving the site.
- Extinguish cigarette butts by dousing them with water or crushing them thoroughly in bare mineral soil or on bare rock. Never discard a burning cigarette in the bush.

For further information on fire safety and prevention, call the Fire Prevention Division of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Fire Department at 905-775-7311 Ext 4103.



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Funprunze

Wed. August 8
1:30 - 2:45 pm



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www.bradfordlibrary.ca

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www.townofbwg.com



NOTICES

ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE 8TH ANNUAL BWG CARROT FEST RUN AUGUST 18, 2012

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary road closure for Saturday, August 18, 2012 from 8:30am to 10:00am will take place at the following locations:

Sideroad 10, from Reagens Industrial Parkway to Line 8,
Line 8, from Sideroad 10 to Professor Day Drive,
Reagens Industrial Parkway, from Line 8 to Sideroad 10.

Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 18th day of July, 2012.

Tara Reynolds
Tara Reynolds, Deputy Clerk

ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE 14TH ANNUAL BWG CARROT FEST AUGUST 18, 2012

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary road closure for Saturday, August 18, 2012 from 6:00am until Sunday, August 19, 2012 at 3:00am will take place at the following locations:

Holland Street, from Holland Court to Colborne Street,
Centre Street, from John Street to Holland Street,
Simcoe Road, Holland Street to Centre Street.

Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 18th day of July, 2012.

Tara Reynolds
Tara Reynolds, Deputy Clerk

OFFICE CLOSURE SIMCOE DAY

TAKE NOTICE that the Town Administration Centre will be closed for the Simcoe Day holiday on Monday, August 6th, 2012. Regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will resume on Tuesday, August 7th, 2012.

To view the holiday hours of operation for our recreational facilities as well as program opportunities, please visit www.townofbwg.com

Have a safe and happy Simcoe Day.
Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 18th day of July, 2012.

Tara Reynolds
Tara Reynolds, Deputy Clerk

LEISURE SERVICES



**BEAT THE HEAT
THIS SUMMER!**

LEISURE SKATING AT THE LEISURE CENTRE

FRIDAYS

JULY 6 – AUGUST 24, 2012.

6:30 – 8:00 PM

BWG LEISURE CENTRE
471 West Park Avenue
905-775-PLAY
leisureservices@townofbwg.com



Summer Swimming at the Leisure Centre

Leisure Swim DAILY from July 3 – Sept 2



Mon – Thurs 2:00 – 4:00 pm
Tues & Thurs 7:00 – 8:15pm
Fridays 3:15 – 5:00 pm
Sat & Sun 1:15 – 3:00 pm

Please note our modified hours on
Simcoe Day Weekend:

Sat, Aug 4 & Sun, Aug 5 Regular Facility Summer Hours & Activities
Mon, Aug 6 CLOSED

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leisureservices@townofbwg.com



SUMMER FITNESS PROGRAMS

REGISTER AT THE LEISURE CENTRE

5K RUNNING CLINIC
DROP IN NOW!!!
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TEEN FITNESS CAMP

Get Fit for SUMMER!

August 13th – 17th
9am – 1pm

Teens 13 – 17yrs

Learn proper exercise technique

Try out fitness classes (i.e. bootcamp, yoga, zumba, and more!)

Learn what not to eat

Play your favourite sports (i.e. basketball, volleyball, tennis, badminton, etc.)

Learn how to be fit and healthy for years to come!



Give them a skill that can save their life.

**REGISTER FOR
SWIMMING
LESSONS TODAY!**

Spaces still available in summer swimming lessons.

Register online at www.townofbwg.com or at Customer Service



For more information contact:
Leisure Services at 905-775-7329

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905-775-5386 EXT. #1004

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A Festive time of year

FESTIVALS, from Page 1

be closed to traffic for a free street festival, featuring vendors, food, live entertainment and demonstrations - while the Fairgrounds and other venues host a Midway, Dog Agility, Kiddie Commando, Creature Quest, Baby Show and more. Admission to the fairgrounds is \$10 for a weekend pass or \$5 per day, \$3 Seniors, free for kids under 11. For details see www.allistopnotafestival.com

The 134th CNE (Canadian National Exhibition) runs from August 17 to September 3 at Exhibition Place in Toronto. Midway exhibits in the Food, Better Living and other iconic buildings; an Air Show over Lake Ontario; live entertainment. Note: The 26th Rising Star Talent Competition highlights talented youngsters in the Junior (ages 6-12) and Youth (ages 13-21) categories - including 9 year old Bradford singer, Nikita Riou. See www.theex.com

Garlic is Great Festival! Saturday, August 18, at the Newmarket Farmers' Market, Doug Duncan Dr. in Newmarket, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cooking demos, entertainment, garlic vendors and more - free!

A Dog A'Fair in Innisfil

The Leash Free Dog Park Committee is hosting a fundraising **Dog A'Fair** on Saturday, August 11 at the Stroud Arena, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - rain or shine. Includes vendors, guest speakers, demonstrations by Disc Dogs, Search & Rescue and Flygility, plus food, refreshments and live entertainment, and a fundraising doggie walkathon, raising money for a new 1.7 hectare leash-free dog park at the Innisfil Recreation Complex. Pledge forms for the Walk are available online at www.innisfil.ca/committees-0 (click on the Innisfil Off Leash Dog Park portal) or call 705-436-3710. Innisfil Unleashed!

Back to Bradford's roots with CarrotFest

It's ranked one of the top 100 Festivals in Ontario, out of over 2,000, and it's coming to Bradford on Saturday, August 18.

It's **CarrotFest**, BWG's celebration of its agricultural "roots" - a one-day

street festival that pucks a punch, with hundreds of vendors, a long list of street entertainers and buskers that include Billions Cobra, Ernest the Magnifico, Brant the Fire Guy, the Bill and Wayne Show, Silver Elvis, Silt Dancer Ezra Houser, Beatboxer Scott Jackson and this year, Spiderman; live entertainment, contests, a midway, and more.

Holland Street East and West will be closed to traffic from Holland Court to Colborne St., all day, with activities beginning at 9 a.m. - including a **Pancake Breakfast** at the Four Corners, sponsored by Enbridge, raising funds for the annual Santa Claus Parade. 9 a.m. is the start of the 5K Carrot

Fast Run, at the Bob Fells Sports Complex on 10 Sideroad; see www.carrofast.com for details or to register.

9 a.m. is also the start of registration for the annual **Bicycle Poker Run**,

sponsored by the Bond Head & District Horticultural Society, for ages 5 and up, that starts at 9:30 a.m.

At 10 a.m., Gable Bros. Midway opens at the old Bradford Community Centre off Simcoe Rd., where **Docks Dogs** competition begins in the portable outdoor pool. There will be Fire Dept. extrication demos on Holland St. East, and live entertainment on the main stage and on the street. The **Beer Garden** on Simcoe Rd. opens at 11 a.m.

At 11:30 a.m. catch a free preview of ACS Wrestling at the Community Centre, with headliners Carlito and Harry Smith - and at noon, the 24 **Carrot Holden Poker Tournery** at the V1 and Chris McKnool's **PiddleFire** on the Main Stage, get underway.

A full afternoon and evening of entertainment on stage will include

performances by Elite Dance Corps at 1 and 3:30 p.m., the Sultans of String at 2 p.m., Mysterion the Mind Reader, and an Elton John Tribute Band.

At 6:30 p.m., it's **ACS wrestling** at the Bradford Community Centre - the main show, with \$5 general admission and \$10 ringside seating, available on a first come, first served basis. Champions Carlito and Harry Smith are the main attractions, in the Quest for the Cup VI.

The party doesn't wrap up until midnight - and continues on Sunday, August 19 with the annual **Family Fun Fest** at Lions Park, 226 Colborne St., from noon to 4 p.m., sponsored by the Bradford Community Church; and **Docks Dogs Championships**, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Community Centre.

For details see www.carrofast.ca



Left, Gwily. Above, Elite Dance Corps. lollipop kids, at Canada Day.

"THE WORLD'S GREATEST CARROT FESTIVAL"

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SATURDAY AUGUST 18, 2012

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Story and Photos by Mirlam King, Bradford Times

Above, War of 1812 Re-enactors fire their muskets in Innisfil Beach Park, July 28. Below, Governor and Lady Simcoe are welcomed to the event.

History comes alive in Innisfil

Benedict Arnold. The name is synonymous with "traitor" for most Americans - and even beyond U.S. boundaries.

But what about Joseph Wilcox?

It's not a name that most Canadians know, but Wilcox could be called Canada's Benedict Arnold, for the role he played in the War of 1812.

It wasn't always so, says Larry Hanna, War of 1812 re-enactor.

Wilcox, when he first emigrated from Ireland in 1802, served as a political secretary, and eventually was elected to the legislature of Upper Canada, representing Lincoln District.

Never a fan of the "privileged classes," Wilcox led the opposition to Martial Law in the months before the outbreak of war. But once America declared war, he was General Brock's emissary to the Six Nations peoples, and even fought alongside Brock, as a "gentleman volunteer" at the Battle of Queenston Heights.

Brock was killed in the battle - and when replacement

General Sheaffe declared Martial Law in Upper Canada just months later, Wilcox switched sides. He offered to organize a unit of "like-minded" Upper Canada residents to fight for the American cause - on the understanding he would be appointed to a government position, once the Americans defeated the British. His offer was accepted.

Wilcox's "Canadian Volunteers" were 90 strong, and began raiding their neighbours, especially attacking loyal militia officers. They became a mounted unit, by the simple expedient of stealing horses.

They were among the garrison at Fort George, when the main U.S. force pulled out for a failed Quebec campaign in 1813. Eventually the decision was made to burn Fort George and pull back to Niagara-on-the-Lake - where residents were given 24 hours to vacate, before the Americans torched the Town. It was Wilcox and the Canadian Volunteers who actually burned Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Their actions infuriated the British, who burned homes across the U.S. border in retaliation, leading to an escalation of the brutality.

In the winter of 1813-14, Wilcox and his men retreated to Batavia, where the unit was finally absorbed into the U.S. army, granted full honours and benefits, and uniforms. They were part of the 1814 invading force that fought at the Battles of Chippewa and Lundy's Lane, where Wilcox was killed. The British reportedly cheered when he was shot, and, notes Hanna,

a recent conference voted Wilcox "the most despised man in Upper Canada."

Maybe so, but it hasn't stopped Hanna and a number of other re-enactors from opting to play the role of the Canadian Volunteers, in their homespun jackets, and top hats tied with a green band,

representing the unit's Irish roots. "We are not serious, there's no doubt about that."

The War of 1812 reenactment included musket and cannon fire, and a "skirmish" with an American gunboat at Innisfil Beach Park on July 28 - part of the 33rd annual Celebrate Lake Simcoe Festival.

CarrotFest Carrot Cake Competition!

Calling all bakers!
Nancy Young of Nancy's Nifty Nook will once again be holding a Carrot Cake Competition at the Nook, 152 Holland St. East, on Saturday, August 18 as part of CarrotFest.

Judging will be based on appearance (cakes should be frosted), and on taste! One prize will be awarded for Taste, and one prize for Appearance/Decoration.

Pre-register for the contest by Saturday, August 11 at Nancy's Nifty Nook, or at the Bradford Times, 24 John St. West; Bradford Community Centre at 125 Simcoe Rd., or online at www.carrotfest.ca. Include Name, phone number, and email.

Cakes must be delivered to Nancy's Nifty Nook by 10 a.m. on August 18. Judging will take place at 11:30 a.m. And once the judging is complete, cakes will be served up to the public for a \$2 donation per slice; all proceeds will go to the Bradford Community Meal.

For more information, call the Nook at 905-775-7874 or email nancysniftynook@sympatico.ca

Ask Dr. Michelle....



**Holland Street Veterinary
Services in the
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Allergies

Is your pet constantly licking, biting and chewing? Does he or she suffer from chronic ear infections? If yes, allergies could be the culprit. Allergic dogs and cats often spend hours scratching, licking, biting around the face and ears, feet and rear. Dogs, especially, are afflicted with nearly constant ear infections. Where the allergies have been long standing there might be hair loss, thickening and darkening of the skin such that it appears almost "scabbed-like". Cats with food allergies tend to have hair loss and scratching around the ears, eyes and face in general.

Most common environmental allergies include pollen (grasses, weeds and trees), mold and house dust mites. Most common food allergies include beef, chicken, dairy and fish (for cats). Often, infections (yeast or bacterial skin infections) occur as well and sometimes other hormonal diseases play a role (i.e., hypothyroidism). Anal sac inflammation, generalized itch and licking to the point of creating wounds as well as inflammation between toes can also be seen. Since so many factors are at play, allergies are very challenging to deal with. Allergies are frustrating for the pet, the owner and the veterinarian but treatment options are available. It is finding which treatment options will alleviate the symptoms and keep the pet comfortable (and allow them and their humans some sleep) that can be tricky.

Diagnosing, treating and alleviating symptoms is a time consuming and potentially expensive process, however, we can greatly improve the quality of life for those that are experiencing the constant discomfort of an "itch that cannot be scratched".

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www.hollandstreetvet.com



Give a little... ride a lot.



Free... 3 Mountain Bikes*

Tim Hortons, Bradford is excited to announce the re-launch of this program which celebrates the great community spirit we have in this town! Any resident that does a GOOD DEED and fills in a ballot has a chance to win.

It's as simple as 1 - 2 - 3*

- 1 Fill in a ballot telling us about a good deed.
- 2 Drop off your ballot at any of the three Tim Hortons, Bradford locations.
- 3 One winner for each month: July, August & September 2012. Drop into the store to see if you were the lucky winner!

Get out there, have fun and good luck!

More program details and guidelines are available at Tim Hortons, Bradford locations.

440 Holland St. | 118 Holland St. | 188 Bridge St.

LSCF is Inspiring Greener Communities

Summer is the perfect time to "inspire greener communities" - and that's exactly what the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation is doing. The Foundation's new program, "Inspiring Greener Communities" is designed to connect residents in new

communities to the Lake Simcoe watershed - to inspire a more eco-friendly lifestyle, promote low-impact options and sustainable communities, and raise funds for programs that promote the health of Lake Simcoe.

Inspiring Greener Communities is a partnership with local builders and developers, designed to build environmental awareness even as they build homes and communities. The program has already attracted the participation of Ceriumum Homes, and Brightstar Corporation - builders of the Friday Harbour resort development in Innisfil, and the Crates Landing community in Keswick, respectively.

The program asks builders and developers to commit funds for every home that is sold in their developments, to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation, to be invested in environmental projects and education.

When the new homeowners take possession, they receive a package that contains eco-friendly products, services and environmental information, in a reusable shopping bag from EcoGuardian. Among the participating businesses are Bradford Greenhouses Garden Galleries, which has operated in the Lake Simcoe Watershed for over 50 years, and the NatureClean line of products.

For more information on Inspiring Greener Communities, visit lakesimcoefoundation.ca or www.lscra.on.ca

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Gilford Horticultural Society meets

The Gilford & District Horticultural Society meets Monday, August 13 at the Churchill Community Centre, at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker is Jean Warrington, member and gardener, on How to Dry and Press Flowers from the Garden. There will also be a Flower Show, featuring floral designs, collections, planters and summer Perennials, including Black Eyed Susan, Clematis, Hostas, Heucheras, Hydrangeas, Lavender and Liatris. Bring entries by 7:15 p.m.

Outdoor Burn Ban lifted

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury and Innisfil have ended their bans on outdoor burning, after several days of steady rain last week. But not all parts of Simcoe County received an equal amount of rainfall. Municipalities that are continuing the fire ban are Adolph-Toronto, Penetanguishene, Severn, Essex Township, Ramara Twp., Tiny and Tiny Townships, and the Town of New Tecumseth. Even in locales where the ban has been lifted, residents are reminded to use extreme caution when burning out of doors.

It's time to Savour Simcoe

Savour Simcoe is a unique opportunity to sample the flavours of Simcoe County, in an historic setting. Restaurateurs and chefs are paired with local farms and food producers to create a unique 'tasting menu', served up on Sunday, August 26 from noon to 4 p.m. Includes Ontario wines, beer and cider, juice and milk products, and music by Pagan's Folly, all set on the grounds of the Simcoe County Museum. Tickets for the event are only \$59, available at www.simcoecountyfarmfresh.ca/savoursimcoe or in person at the Museum, 1151 Hwy. 26, north of Barrie.

Summer Sundays at the Museum

Summer Sundays at the Simcoe County Museum, 1151 Hwy. 26, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. - free with the price of admission. Aug. 5 - Baking in the Bread Oven. Aug. 12 - Victorian Tea. Aug. 19 - Teddy Bear Picnic. Admission \$6 for adults, \$5 for students and Srs, \$4 for children, free for pre-schoolers and Museum members. See museum.simcoe.ca

At the Bradford Farmers Market!



On Saturday, July 28, the Bradford Farmers' Market held a Caribbean Day, with steel drum music by Kenn Lewis, Jerk Chicken and Roti served up by Rusty Q BBQ, leis, carnival masks and tropical fans - a great market experience! The Bradford Farmers' Market takes place every Saturday morning from 7:30 a.m. to noon, at the Bradford Public Library Parking Lot, 425 Holland St. West - offering fresh produce and flowers, potted plants and herbs, preserves, jams, fresh baking and sweet treats, crafts, maple syrup, local honey and eggs, Dingo Farms meat products and much more. Now available: local sweet corn.



Waste Management Information

CIVIC HOLIDAY

WASTE, BLUE BOX & ORGANICS COLLECTION NOTICE

Due to the Civic Holiday on **Monday, August 6th** all collections will be delayed by one day for the whole week.

WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES HOURS

All County waste management facilities will be **CLOSED** Monday, August 6th except Site 8 (Matchedash) for which regular hours apply.



Don't know where things go?
Please visit www.simcoe.ca/wastewizard

For more information:
County of Simcoe Customer Service
1-800-263-3199 / simcoe.ca

Are you allowed to sell that?

Ministry of Natural Resources -

Summertime is peak garage sale season. Are you thinking of selling that dusty old deer head, mounted fish or stuffed bird? Maybe you are considering putting a turtle or baby skunk up for sale on an Internet classified website.

Better think twice.

In most cases, members of the public need a licence or permit to have and possess, to offer to buy or sell fish and wildlife in Ontario. This includes animals both living and long dead, and even their parts!

The purchase or sale of Ontario's fish and wildlife, including angler-caught fish, taxidermy mounts, skulls, meat, bones, antlers or live animals, including mammals, reptiles, amphibians and insects is, in many cases, unlawful, and could result in serious penalties.

The Ministry of Natural Resources enforces laws related to the illegal trade in fish and wildlife. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act provides for penalties of up to \$100,000 and two years in jail for persons convicted of these types of offences. Even heavier fines, of up to \$250,000 and a year in jail for one offence, or \$500,000 and a year in jail for a second or subsequent offence, are possible under the

Endangered Species Act.

If you don't want a run-in with the law, stick to clothes, books, furniture and other household items for your garage sale. Trying to sell Ontario wildlife, either alive or dead, could prove to be very costly.

If you see others engaging in illegal fish and wildlife trafficking, on the web or in the wild, you can report natural resources violations by calling 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free at any time, or contacting your local Ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers, 1-800-222-TIPS.

You can still receive items like mounted deer heads or stuffed birds as gifts or as part of an inheritance - but there are some laws around transporting and shipping to be aware of, says Bill Fisher, Supervisor of the MNR's Special Investigations Services Unit. And a hunter can

legally sell the hide of a deer, moose or bear that they have legally taken. For everything else, licences, permits and authorizations in law are required, and you should contact your local Ministry of Natural Resources office, for more information.

But what about purchases made in other jurisdictions?

"All jurisdictions will have some laws governing this activity, but they won't be an exact match with Ontario laws," says Fisher. "The general rule of thumb is that if it's legal to hunt or purchase elsewhere, and the transaction takes place there, and there are receipts and corresponding import/export paperwork, there should not be a problem."

But once the deer head or stuffed bird is back in Ontario, "it can be possessed but not sold or resold."

West Nile virus found in BWG

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit announced on July 31 that a new pool of mosquitoes carrying West Nile virus was found in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury. Mosquito pools had previously been found in Huntsville, Gravenhurst and to the south, in York Region.

The public is being reminded to take precautions to avoid infection, including using an approved mosquito repellent; wearing light-coloured clothing and long sleeves and pants when in mosquito-infested areas, avoiding such areas when mosquitoes are most active (dusk to dawn), making sure that screens on windows and doors are in good repair, and eliminating standing water around the house or cottage - including water in bird baths and watering pools.

Most people show no or only minor symptoms if infected by West Nile virus - but for some, the disease can be severe, even fatal. Symptoms include fever, muscle weakness, stiff neck, confusion, severe headache, sudden sensitivity to light, and rarely, severe neurological illness. Seek medical assistance if experiencing symptoms.

For information see www.simcoemuskokahealth.org

Emergency Preparedness

Emergency Preparedness isn't just something to think about in Spring. Emergencies can happen at any time.

What You Can Do to Be Prepared

- 1 Know what can happen in Simcoe County in the summer:
 - Floods
 - Electrical Storms
 - Extreme Heat
 - Tornadoes
 - Power Outages
 - Accidents
- 2 Have a family communication plan:
 - Name a friend or relative you will all check in with if you're not at home. Each family member should carry that number with them at all times.
- 3 Have a family emergency preparedness kit with at least some of the basics:
 - Hand crank radio
 - Non-perishable food
 - Medication
 - First aid kit
 - Drinking water
 - A little cash
 - Flashlight and batteries
 - Emergency contact information
- 4 To ensure you can call for help, have at least one "POT" or Plain Old Telephone that doesn't require an electrical outlet, but plugs into the phone jack.

For more information on how to be prepared, visit simcoemuskokaemergency.ca

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Summer Yard Sale

Summer Yard Sale at the Grange Hall in Leffroy, hosted by the Leffroy United Church on Friday, August 10 from 5 to 9 p.m., and on Saturday, August 11 from 8 a.m. to noon. Rent a 6' or 8' table, and sell your own treasures, downsizing, decluttering or other items. Call the church at 705-456-2098 or Edna at 705-436-2042 to book a table; please leave a message.

BUC Yard Sale

Bradford United Church is holding another Yard Sale, indoors at the Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford, on Saturday, August 25 from 8 to 11 a.m. Sale is by donation - and donations for the Yard Sale can be made by contacting the church, 905-775-7268. A first: the public is invited to rent tables for only \$15, to sell their own rummage or yard sale goods. Contact the Church to to rent a table.

Attic Sale, Corn Roast

Churchill United Church hosts an Attic Sale and Corn Roast on Saturday, August 25. The Attic Sale runs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. - the corn roast, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. All are welcome. The church is located at 6306 Yonge St., in Churchill, Innisfil.

Church Suppers and Events, see page 18.



MIMPA reaches new heights, with Fiddler



Music In Motion
Performing Arts wrapped up its 2011-2012 season with an outstanding performance of **Fiddler on the Roof**, playing to capacity crowds on June 9 and 10 – and taking the audience from tears to laughter. Marshall Woodcock was outstanding as Tevye, earning his ovation.

MIMPA has already lined up next year's season – its 5th, with shows that will include **Little Mermaid**, **Beauty and the Beast**, **Guys and Dolls**, and **Annie**, for kids 8 to 17.

The new Junior Theatre Program, for young thespians ages 5 to 9, will feature **Winnie the Pooh**, and **Sleeping Beauty**.

All classes culminate include a final public performance of the musical. Music In Motion is located at 150 Artesian Industrial Parkway in Bradford. For more information see mimpa.ca or call 905-778-0440.

Submitted photo: Marshall Woodcock as Tevye.

Celebrating Celtic roots

Irish Dancers, Scottish Highland Dancers, Pipe & Drum Bands, singers and more – the inaugural Innisfil Celtic Festival will offer a full slate of entertainment, at Innisfil Beach Park on Saturday, September 15, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Six Pipe & Drum bands have already signed up for the Festival, including the Commissioner's OPP Pipes & Drums, out of Orillia. The massed bands will lead a parade from the Alcona Fire Station into the park, starting at 10:45 a.m., where the Irish Ambassador to Canada, Dr. Ray Bassett, will be on hand for the official Opening Ceremonies, at 11:30 a.m.

There will be Celtic vendors and food, a "Beverage Tent" operated by the Rotary Club of Innisfil, Scottish Highland Games, Strongman Challenge, Border Collie Sheep Handling trials, children's bouncy castle and face-painting, Celtic music, a Police vs. Fire tug-o-war – and an Ireland vs. Scotland soccer match.

The Innisfil Celtic Festival Committee brought a "taste" of the Festival to Sandy Cove Acres retirement community on July 29 – a 3-hour extravaganza that delighted and entertained nearly 200 residents.

The band Leahy & Company had the audience clapping and singing along with songs that included Farewell to Nova Scotia, and Rocky Road to Dublin. There were soloists Paige and Chelsea Stephen, piper Mitchell Kerr, dancers with the Sanderson School of Highland Dancing and Miller School of Irish Dance, Strongmen lifting 250 lb.

weights with ease – even Medieval Knights, members of the Barrie Sword Play Association, slugging it out in full armour. "Just a small taste of what we're going to give you for entertainment at the Innisfil Celtic Festival," said the emcee.

Admission to the Innisfil Celtic Festival is free. The Town of Innisfil has declined to waive parking fees at Innisfil Beach Park, but there will be free shuttlebus service every 30 minutes from Sandy Cove Acres, and from free parking lots at Goodfellow Public School, Nantyr Shores Secondary School, and Alcona Glen Elementary School. Remember to bring your own lawn chair or blanket.

For more information, visit www.innisfilcelticfestival.ca.

Dancer with the Sanderson School of Highland Dancing, in performance at Sandy Cove Acres on July 29.



Arts & Entertainment!

Theatre Collingwood presents **Skin Flick** – a hilarious adult comedy, to August 4; **Do Not Disturb** – the world premiere of this saucy farce, Aug. 20-25; and **Wingfield Lost & Found**, Sept. 17-22. For tickets or more information see www.theatrecollingwood.com or call 705-445-2200. The Box Office is now located at 65 Simcoe St., Studio 7 in Collingwood.

Theatre By the Bay in Barrie presents "Great Stories Well Told" – **Man of La Mancha**, to Aug. 18; **The Merry Wives of Windsor**, Aug. 9-26; and **Jacob Two-Two Meets the Hooded Fang**, Aug. 10-25. All performances take place at the new Mady Centre for the Performing Arts, at Barrie's 5 Points. Subscriptions are now on sale – all 3 shows \$70 for adults, \$50 for Seniors and Students. Call the box office at 705-738-4229. With financial support from TD Bank branches in Barrie.

South Simcoe Theatre has replaced its fall production of the musical "Curtains" with the hilarious musical comedy, **Nunsense**. Dates and prices remain unchanged. For more information, call the Box Office at 705-458-4432 and leave a message.

Jakestock is a community barbecue and music festival, celebrating the last long weekend of summer, and uniting the Gifford community in fun and fundraising. This year, the event, which takes place Sunday, September 2 starting at noon, will benefit the Gifford Community Hall. Held at the Cook's Bay Marina in Innisfil, Jakestock will include raffles, door prizes, BBQ and Pig Roast, and live music, featuring local bands. Admission is by donation. For more information, email jakestockcommittee@bell.net or check out www.youare.com/jakestockfestival. All are invited to attend!



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Fun @ the Bradford Library



Mishko gets a closer look at Monitor lizard - just one of many animals brought to the Bradford Public Library by ZooTek, July 31.

The theme of this year's **TD Summer Reading Club** is "Imagine" - an invitation to young readers ages 3 to 12, to delve into the world of fantasy, develop their curiosity, and discover the world of books. The Club runs until August 17 at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. W., and youngsters who register will receive a free poster, activity book and stickers with secret codes that unlock reading rewards, at www.tdsummerreadingclub.ca.

Sing and Play with Russ - Tuesdays, August 7 and 14, from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Half-hour show focuses on tempo, rhythm and creative movement, for ages 1 to 5. Cost is \$3 per child - adults are free. Pre-register at Borrower Services.

Every Thursday, to August 23, kids can drop in to the Library 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., to play a board and card games - including Candyland, Chess, Disney Monopoly, Bananagrams and SpongeBob Monopoly. Free! Recommended for ages 6 and up.

Summer fun @ Innisfil Library

The Innisfil Public Library presents a **Police Bike Rodeo**, Tuesday August 7 - at the Stroud Branch from 10 a.m. to noon, and at the Cookstown Branch, 2-4 p.m. Please pre-register.

Fresh Air Flicks return to Innisfil Beach Park this summer, thanks to the Innisfil Public Library and sponsors, the Alcona Business Association, Pratt Homes, and the Town of Innisfil.

An evening of family fun, and an outdoor screening on the big inflatable screen on Wednesday, August 8 (rain date, Aug. 9) - Wall-E. Activities begin around



Creative Activities for Creative Minds, for ages 2-6 with Michelle DeGasperis. Thursdays, 11 to 11:45 a.m. Aug. 2 - Sports or Diva Pennant for your room; Aug. 9 - Summer Olympic medal, torch and flag; Aug. 16 - Create an Olympic Mascot. \$5 per class; please pre-register.

Big Kid Entertainment presents the family show, **Rapunzel** - hilarious interactive fun on Wednesday, August 8, from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. Tickets are only \$3 per person.

Kids 3 to 8 are invited to a **Fancy Nancy Soltree** at the Library, Tues., August 14, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Dress in your fanciest clothes! Tiaras welcomed! Cost is only \$2 per child; please register at Borrower Services.

Art with Purpose! Summer Arts Camp for kids at the Library, August 20 to 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily - geared towards kids 7 to 14 years of age. Cost is \$27.50 per day, or \$110 per week. Register at the Library!

7 p.m. - the movie starts at 9 p.m. or sundown. Free! Bring lawnchairs and blankets. For details, contact the library.

IncredibleBrent - the magic and comedy of the incredible Brent Nicholls is coming to the Innisfil Public Libraries on Saturday, August 11! At the Stroud Branch from 11 a.m. to noon, and the Lakeshore Branch from 2 to 3 p.m. Tickets for this interactive family show are \$3; purchase or register in advance at the Library.

Photo: Shauna Cowan, of the Canadian Raptor Conservancy, with a Juvenile Bald Eagle at the Cookstown Library, July 18.

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MEETINGS

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and 5th Tues. of each month upstairs at the new BWG Leisure Centre. 7-9 p.m. For information see www.speakforsuccess.org. All welcome.

WEEKLY BINGO: Innis-

fil Lions Club host a weekly Bingo, Mondays, 5 p.m. doors open, 6:45 p.m. Bingo begins, at the Lions Hall on Innisfil Beach Rd., Alcona. Refreshments available. For info, call 705-436-1826.

BRADFORD PIPES & DRUMS: Pipes and drummers wanted - no experience necessary. Will teach! Meet Saturdays at the Danube Srs. Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd., 3:30 p.m. For more information contact Mike at 705-431-2412.

HELP FOR IMMIGRANTS: Bradford Immigrant & Community Services (BICS) located at 11 Holland St. East offers English Language Classes for Newcomers to Canada, Settlement Assistance, Integration to the Canadian School System Program, Parenting Workshops, Translation and Interpretation services, Form completion and document help, advocacy and more. 905-775-3343 or see www.bradfordimmigrant.com

BWG COMMUNITY MEAL: A free hot meal and fellowship

for anyone on fixed income, social assistance, struggling to make ends meet, lonely, or families trying to stretch their food budgets, at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. Every Friday at 5:30 p.m.

T.O.P.S.: TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) is a weight loss support group that meets at the Lions Pool Bldg. Tuesday evenings, 6-7 p.m. No charge to drop in and see what TOPS is all about. Membership is \$32 per year and \$2 per meeting. For details call Edna. 905-775-9018.

ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH: 721 Simcoe Rd., Bradford. Fund-raising perogies and cabbage rolls sale every Friday, from noon to 6 p.m., Sat. and Sun. 12:30 to 4 p.m. info. call the church 905-551-1651.

WRITERS' CIRCLE AT COFFEE CULTURE: BWG Writers' Circle now meets socially every Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. at Coffee Culture in Bradford - by the fireplace! Exception is the 3rd Tues. of the month,

when the Circle meets at the New Bradford Library.

THURS., AUG. 2

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR CREATIVE MINDS: For ages 2-6, with Michelle DeGasperis, at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. W. 11:11-45 a.m. Make a Sports or Diva Pennant for your room. Cost is \$5; pre-register.

FRI., AUG. 3

GEORGIAN BAY STEAM SHOW & FAMILY FARM DEMONSTRATION FESTIVAL: Friday, Aug. 3-Mon. Aug. 6. Antique tractors, cars and equipment, steam engines, live entertainment, vendors market, crafts, Kid-die Tractor Pull and much more, at the Steam Show Grounds in Cookstown, on Victoria St. W. COTPA Sanctioned Tractor Pull, featuring the Modifieds, noise and excitement, on Sunday, Aug. 5, starting at 6 p.m. Admission \$8 adults, free for

accompanied kids under 12. See www.steamshow.ca

KEMPENFEST: Friday, Aug. 3-Mon. Aug. 6, at Barrie's waterfront at Centennial Park. Over 350 artists and artisans, plus an Antique Show & Sale, Midway, and live entertainment that includes Uncle California Eagles tribute band on Friday night, April Wine on Sat. night, Jason Mraz on Friday night, and The Martels on Mon. afternoon. Displays open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sat.-Mon.

SAT., AUG. 4

EMANCIPATION DAY: Commemorating the end of slavery in the British Empire, at Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site, 29251 Uncle Tom's Rd., Orillia ON. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. African music, storytelling, lectures, BBQ lunch. Admission is free, thanks to support from RBC Foundation.

THURS., AUG. 9

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR CREATIVE MINDS: For ages 2-6, with Michelle DeGasperis, at the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. W. 11:11-45 a.m. Make a Summer Olympics Torch, Medal and Flag. Cost is \$5; pre-register.

FRI., AUG. 10

FAMILY WESTERN DAY AT LAKESIDE RETIREMENT: Free community event at Lakeside Retirement, 985 Innisfil Beach Rd. in Alcona, 2:30 to 4 p.m. With The Square Timers. Wear your best cowboy duds and come out for refreshments, entertainment and door prizes. Please RSVP to 705-431-8105.

ALLISTON POTATO FESTIVAL: Begins Friday evening with the traditional Festival Parade down the Main St., continues Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 11 and 12, at the Fairgrounds and the main street. Street festival, bookers, demos, bouncy castles, Midway, etc.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Springdale Christian Reformed Church
NW Corner Canal Rd. & River Rd.
905-775-3413
Sundays 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Sunday School & Nursery

Newton Robinson United Church
Hwy. 27 & Gore, 10 Tecumseh
Service 9:30 a.m.

Bond Head United Church
Hwy. 68 east of Hwy. 27
Service 11 a.m.
Sunday School & Nursery Available
905-775-2512

Trinity Anglican Church
82 Church St., Bradford
(Corner of Church & James St.)
Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.
905-775-2200
trinityanglicanchurchbradford.ca

St. John's Presbyterian
2940 - 10th Sideroad
(8th Line & Middletown SR)
905-775-7274
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stjohnspresbyterian.ca

Bradford Alliance Church
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St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church
721 Simcoe Rd., Bradford
(Burgess Station)
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Priest: 905-715-0105

St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church
(Bycantine Rite)
16 Heaton St., Bond Head, Sunday
Eucharist: 9:30am (Ukrainian),
11:30am (English)
905-775-6262
info@stcathofalexandria.ca

Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church
18835 Dufferin St., R.R. #2 Newmarket
Sundays 10:00 am & 4:30 pm
Sunday School & Nursery with service
Mid-week youth & adult programs
Rev. Richard Bodin
905-775-7291
E: hollandmarshcre.org@gmail.com

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
53 Miller Park Ave., Bradford
905-775-3412
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Rev. Adrian Torma

Holy Martyrs of Paris Catholic Church
167 East St. Bradford 905-775-2065
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Olympic focus

Igniting Olympic dreams, at Upper Canada Mall

Anne Ottenbrite was only 10 years old when Montreal hosted the Olympics, back in 1976.

"I was fortunate enough to have a black and white TV... I watched the Montreal Opening Ceremonies, and I was hooked," Ottenbrite says. But it was a young

gymnast, Nadia Comaneci, scoring the first perfect 10 in history, that launched her own Olympic dreams.

Ottenbrite, the first Canadian woman to win gold in swimming, was the special guest speaker at Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket, for the Mall's own Opening Ceremonies to launch the 2012 London, England Olympics, on July 27.

She described how she searched for a sport in which she could excel. Then, at the age of 14, "I found

swimming, and my dream started," Ottenbrite said.

It wasn't easy. There were plenty of setbacks on the road to an Olympic medal.

Initially, her trainers discovered that she had a piece of vertebrae missing in her spine.

"I was told I would never be any good, and I should quit," she remembered. Instead, she changed her training regimen, to build core strength, and pressed on. Then, just before

the Olympic trials, she dislocated her knee.

"It's not the setbacks. It's how you move forward after those setbacks," Ottenbrite said. She went on to win Gold in the 200 metre Breaststroke, Silver in the 100 metre Breaststroke, and Bronze in the 4 x 100 metre relay at the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

"Standing on that podium and watching a flag as beautiful as this being raised in your honour, and listening to that national anthem, is something that is indescribable," she said. "I beg you to watch the Olympics with that intensity, and share that moment in time."

Ottenbrite spoke directly to the young people in the audience, and the young members of Pulsar Gymnastics, who were waiting to present a demonstration of their sport. "It's your turn to watch, and be inspired," she said, and then, "go out and inspire others.... Be proud Canadians, and enjoy the Olympics." Later, she compared the games and the athletes' efforts to a fine wine - "years in the making, moments in the tasting - but it's worth all the years of hard work. That taste will last a lifetime."

Upper Canada Mall has set up an Olympics display at Centre Court, where shoppers can watch the games. Demonstrations of Olympic sports are also planned, to August 12.

Photo: At left, Anne Ottenbrite shows her Olympic medals to Ethan, 11, at Upper Canada Mall. Right, Canadian flag at Centre court.



As of Day 5, Canada had 5 medals - 4 Bronze, won by Emilie Heymans and Jenni-fer Abel in 3m Synchro diving, Roseline Filion and Meaghan Benfeito in Women's Platform Synchro diving, Antoine Valois-Fortier in Judo, and Christine Girard, weightlifting; and 1 Silver, won by the Men's 8 rowing team. Canada is in 11th place.



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Details and guidelines are posted at Tim Hortons, at 440 Holland St. West, 118 Holland St. East, and 185 Bridge St.

Doing good is its own reward, but sometimes a little recognition is nice - so get out there, and Give a little, Ride a lot.

Coming back to Bradford, after 50 years

Last week, Judi (Harris) Smith returned to Bradford for the first time in 50 years. She and husband Sid Smith were the guests of Tom and Ann Campbell, who organized a reunion for friends and former students of S.S. #6 Middleton and the Bond Head School.

"It's very different," said Judi, noting that so many of the homes and farms she remembered as a girl growing up in the Middleton area are gone, replaced by big box stores and new homes. Despite all the changes, though, Bradford's downtown "is still the same!"

The Harris family came to Canada from England in 1949, and Judi was born at York County Hospital in 1951. Her father, Henry Harris, worked at a lumber yard, before going to work as a foreman for George Kelson, and helping to build the old Bradford High School (now part of Fred C.



Cook Public School).

The Harris and their four children - older brothers Cliff and Alan, Judi and younger brother Peter - lived upstairs in a building on 88 that was a former hotel.

In 1962, when Judi was just 11, the Harris family returned to England. "It's so lovely to be back," said Judi at the Reunion, held at St. John's Presbyterian Church on July 28. She was wearing a maple leaf pendant that she has had since Grade 6. "I actually do feel as if I've come back

home... You can take the girl out of Bradford, but you can't take Bradford out of the girl!"

Helping to welcome her back were former schoolmates, including Bill Langford, and others who remember the Harris Family - and her penpals.

Several years ago, Judi wrote a letter to The Bradford Times, asking for penpals. Marcia Talbot and her "Trinity Twens" Youth Group at Trinity Anglican Church in Bradford responded. Although only a few letters were exchanged, Marcia continued to keep in touch, exchanging Christmas cards and

emails. Saturday's reunion provided an opportunity for Talbot and former penpals Kayla and Meghan to meet Harris Smith face-to-face for the first time.

The Reunion featured photos and other memorabilia from the 1950s and '60s, refreshments, and a potluck supper - a "wonderful get-together," to welcome Judi home.

From right, Ann and Tom Campbell welcome Judi (Harris) Smith and husband Sid to Bradford.

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SUP 4 MS challenge

Amber Nolan will be undertaking the challenge of a lifetime this weekend: SUP 4 MS.

SUP (Stand Up Paddler) 4 MS is a paddle board challenge on Lake Ontario - a 65 km crossing of the Lake from Hamilton to Toronto, that is also fundraiser for the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

If she completes the course, an effort that can take 12 to 16 hours, she will become the first woman to do so.

Nolan was introduced to paddle boarding by her cousin Sam Armstrong, who was, she says, "more like my brother." Sam entered the SUP 4 MS last summer, and Amber watched the incredible finish, cheering as all of the paddlers completed the challenge together.

"You should do this paddle with me next year," he told her at the finish line. It was their final conversation; two weeks later, he died suddenly, of an unexpected brain tumour.

That conversation inspired Amber to take up paddle boarding and enter the SUP 4 MS, "as a way to remember him."

She has another reason for

participating: her great grandmother had MS, and several family friends have been diagnosed with the disease.

Amber Nolan took up paddle boarding this year, and has been training, 8 hours a day. The biggest challenge will be "the pure amount of time" on the water - all those hours of standing or kneeling on the paddle board - but there's also the fact that the event takes place on Lake Ontario. Nolan did all of her training on Lake Simcoe; Lake Ontario is "a lot bigger lake, and a lot bigger waves."

Although no woman has been able to complete the course to date, Nolan is determined to finish. "I think I'll be able to, because I have Sam beside me, and a lot of people behind me." Support her effort, by visiting: http://msoc.com/na/site/TR/DIY/OntarioDivision?ps=1609922&pg=personal&fr_id=1553

The 3rd annual SUP 4 MS will take place sometime this weekend, August 3-5 - but the actual start is literally up in the air. It will depend on weather conditions on Lake Ontario - especially the winds.

Camps and classes for kids

Bond Head United Church is hosting Vacation Bible School, August 13 to 17 - from 9 a.m. to noon daily, on the theme "Sky - Everything is possible with God!" Cost for a week of great fun, including songs, crafts, snack, science and games, for kids ages 4 to 11 is only \$25 per child. For more information, contact Diane Mackenzie at 905-778-1423.

Vacation Bible School "Sky - Everything is Possible with God," at Holy Martyrs of Japan

Catholic Church in Bradford, Aug. 13-17, 9 a.m. to 12. For ages 4-13; \$25 per child. Call 905-775-2065. The free TRACE program for autistic children is available at this VBS.

Babysitting Classes - Young people ages 11 to 15 can learn basic first aid and cleaning skills, learning how to care for younger children in a variety of age groups, how to prevent and respond to emergencies. At Bradford Alliance Church on Thursday, August 16 from 9

a.m. to 5 p.m. Pre-register; call Anita Horlings at Simple First Aid, 905-775-8024.

Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St., hosts "Backstage with the Bible" Vacation Bible Camp, from Monday, August 27 to Thursday, Aug. 30, 9 a.m. to noon daily. Kids will get a front row seat and a "backstage pass" to the bible - with music, videos, karaoke, games, crafts, skits and snacks. Cost is \$10 per child. Register at 905-775-7268.



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2723. Adults \$17, kids 12 & under \$7.

Friday, August 17, the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute hosts its annual **Peach Supper** at the Tec-We-Gwill WI Hall in Newton Robinson. Ham and Salsed plate, and home-made peach desserts. \$15 adults, \$5 children under 12. Three sittings

- 4:45 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. For tickets call 705-435-9421 or 905-775-3890, or the Hall, at 705-458-4410 and leave a message.

Gifford United Church hosts its annual **Steak BBQ** on Saturday, August 18, from 5 to 8 p.m. - featuring steak, baked potatoes, corn on the cob, and home-

made pies! Only \$16 for adults, \$6 for kids under 12 (hamburgers). Seating out of doors, weather permitting, or in the hall. Tickets at the door.

Coming up at Bradford United Church: Another **Murder Mystery Dinner**, Sept. 22! Watch for details.

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- strong interpersonal, organizational and time management skills;
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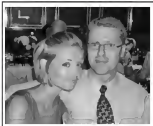
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Plans are underway for a 2013 wedding. Congratulations from both families to Hayley and Matt.

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Deaths

YARMOLUK, Nelson A. Sr. - Peacefully passed away at York Central Hospital, Richmond Hill on Tuesday, July 24, 2012. Nelson Yarmoluk Sr. of Bradford at 84 years of age. Beloved husband of Arnie. Loving father of Nelson (Rita). Proud grandfather of Darlene. Dear brother of late John (Pearl), late Gene (Irene), late Walter (Donna) and Ruth (Paul) Novosad. Nelson will be fondly remembered by his nieces and nephews. Friends called at **SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME**, Bradford for visitation. Funeral service was held in the Chapel on Friday, July 27, 2012 at 2 p.m. Interment Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Bradford.

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Card of thanks

Many Thanks

Our sincere thanks to our family and friends for helping us celebrate our Mother's 80th Birthday. A special thanks for the gifts, best wishes and cards.
- The Bourgeois Family

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Deaths

DA SILVA, Juliano - Peacefully passed away with family at his side at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket on Thursday, July 26, 2012. Juliano DaSilva of Bradford at 80 years of age. Beloved husband of Izilda. Loving father of Horacio (Grace), Antonio, Custodia (Horacio), Maria (Henry) and the late Jose. Dear grandfather of Jason and Jennifer, Christina and Sara; Melissa, Cassandra and Alexander; and Amanda. Friends called at **SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME**, Bradford for visitation. Funeral Mass was held at the Holy Martyrs of Japan Church, Bradford on Monday, July 30, 2012 at 10 a.m. Interment Holy Martyrs Cemetery, Bradford.

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From left, George Allison, Shirley and Hugh White reminisce about riding the Barrie Bullet, and the early days of GO Train service between Bradford and Toronto.

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Station. They had the placards but, as George notes, "We were all office workers, white collar - in suits."

"The people from the media finally said, could you make some noise? They asked us if we could at least chant," laughs Shirley. So they began chanting, "Save Our Train."

Between the media coverage of the "funeral," the image of office workers picketing, and the actions of a group of high-powered King City lawyers, unhappy at losing their ride/social-club-on-wheels, the pressure was on - and the Province capitulated, providing GO train service to Bradford, in 1982.

The camaraderie and the hijinks continued. There was the time the riders placed an anatomically-correct male blow-up doll in the men's room. And the time one regular dressed up as Santa, handed out presents, shook hands with all the men, and kissed all the girls.

There were plenty of pranks played on the GO inspectors, but fortunately, says Shirley, "they had a wonderful sense of humour... They used to draw straws to get our train, because they found it so funny!" Everybody knew everybody - and on occasion, delays on the train line would turn into overnight parties at a commuter's house, something that would make non-commuting spouses "furious" says Marilyn.

The riders happily got back into their usual groove, especially after service was once again extended to Barrie in 1990. However, in 1993 cuts announced by NDP Premier Bob Rae resulted in the end of Barrie service. The trains came no further north than Bradford - a situation that remained until December 17, 2007 when GO train service to Barrie was restored, for the first time in 15 years.

Things are different today. GO runs 5 trains in the morning, 5 in the evening, with up to 10 cars per train - carrying an estimated 7,500 commuters daily - and by the time the trains reach Newmarket,

"they are standing room only," says Shirley. "It's a totally different atmosphere. It isn't a social atmosphere any more." "It's no fun," agrees Hugh, sipping his martini. "It's just transportation now."

Weekend trains to Toronto

June 23 was a big day for GO Transit. On June 23, GO Transit expanded service for the Barrie GO Trains and Buses - adding a new weekend service.

It's a pilot project. From June 23 to September 3, there will be 6 weekend round-trip trains - 2 from the Allandale Waterfront GO Station to Union Station, and four to and from the East Gwillimbury train station.

There will also be 4 new weekend bus trips between Barrie Bus Terminal and the East Gwillimbury GO Station.

Trains will leave Allandale Station, travelling southbound, at 10:20 a.m. and 5 p.m., arriving at Union Station at 11:58 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. respectively, on weekends and holidays. The return trips will leave Union station at 5:25 p.m. (arriving at 7:02 p.m.), and 10 minutes after midnight, to arrive at 1:45 a.m.

Southbound trains will leave the East Gwillimbury station for Union Station at 1:20 p.m., 4:12 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:55 p.m. Northbound trains leave Union Station for East Gwillimbury at 12:10 p.m., 3:01, 6:50 p.m. and 9:41 p.m. Buses will connect East Gwillimbury station with Allandale. For more information, call 1-888-GO-ON-GO (TTY 1-899-387-3652) or visit gotransit.com/schedules

MetroLinx, which operates GO Transit, has announced free train travel to and from Barrie this Sunday, August 5, stopping at Allandale Waterfront, Barrie South, Bradford, East Gwillimbury, Newmarket, Aurora, King City, Maple Runforth, York University, and Union Station.



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